

Please find below, Utah State Parks news for November 2:

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NON-RESIDENT OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE PERMITS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Salt Lake City – Non-Resident Off-Highway Vehicle Permits are now available online at stateparks.utah.gov/ohv. Owners of off-highway vehicles (OHVs), ATVs, off-highway motorcycles and snowmobiles, who are not Utah residents, may need to purchase a non-resident permit before riding their machines in Utah.

Some states offer reciprocity, which is a mutual agreement between states not to charge non-resident fees. To determine the status of your state, visit stateparks.utah.gov/ohv/reciprocity.

The 12-month permit is \$30. Upon purchase, owners must provide a valid driver's license and vehicle information, including a VIN number. Non-resident permits are also sold at authorized vendor locations throughout Utah and at several locations in surrounding states.

Revenues generated from OHV user fees are dedicated to construction, improvement, operation and maintenance of OHV trails throughout Utah. For more information, visit stateparks.utah.gov or call (800) OHV-RIDE.

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YOUTH SNOWMOBILE EDUCATION COURSES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Salt Lake City – With snowmobile season just around the corner, Utah State Parks and Recreation reminds young riders and their parents that state-required youth snowmobile education courses are available online at stateparks.utah.gov.

Utah law requires youth eight to 16 to complete the Utah State Parks *Know Before You Go!* OHV Education Course before operating a machine on public lands or trails. It is illegal for any child under age eight to operate an OHV on public land.

Those over 16 without a valid driver's license must also complete the course to operate OHVs on public land.

Course fees are \$30 and upon successful completion of coursework, students print temporary certificates and later receive permanent certificates by mail. Students are cautioned to study all materials thoroughly prior to testing. If they do not pass the test, they must pay a second registration fee to retake it.

"Safety is our number one concern. We want to reduce accidents by educating youth to operate snowmobiles safely, wear safety equipment, and follow laws and rules," stated Off-Highway Vehicle Education Coordinator Ann Evans. "Online courses provide easier access to education courses and allow students to learn at their own pace."

For more information, visit stateparks.utah.gov, call (800) OHV-RIDE.

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

November 19 Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins
Dirt World of Archaeology! Join Bighorn Archaeological Consultants at 7 p.m. for an evening presentation on native cultures. This program is free and open to the public. Registration is required and held two days prior to event. 435-628-2255

November 20 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway
Birding in the Park: Join the park naturalist to learn the basics of birding and help conduct a bird survey. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Wasatch Mountain State Park Visitor Center. Dress for the weather. 435-654-1791

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